

**COMMITTEE MINUTES for
AGRICULTURE & NATURAL RESOURCES
APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE**

Date: February 1, 2001

Place: Room 118

Convened: 9:45 AM **Recessed:** **Reconvened:** **Adjourned:** 11:05 AM

Present: Senators Gaskill-CH, Sexton-VC, Black-RM, Fink, Greiner
Representatives Drake-CH, Kettering-VC, Mertz-RM, Baudler, Eddie, Hahn,
May, Quirk, Schrader

Absent:

Excused:

Co-Chairman Gaskill called the meeting to order on Thursday, February 1, 2001, at 9:45 a.m. in Room 118.

The roll was called finding all members in attendance. The minutes were approved as distributed.

Senator Gaskill introduced Wayne Gieselman from the Environmental Protection Division of the Department of Natural Resources, who provided an update on the processing of manure management plans. Mr. Gieselman distributed handouts providing information on the number of manure management plans requested from 1985 to present, and a map indicating locations of animal confinement facilities and fields in Wright and Franklin Counties. Questions and discussion followed the presentation.

Senator Gaskill introduced Al Farris, Division Administrator of the Fish and Wildlife Division, Department of Natural Resources, who discussed the Prairie Seed Program and the Fish and Wildlife Trust Fund. He explained different aspects of each of the programs. Mr. Farris distributed handouts and reviewed FY-92 ---FY-02 revenue and expense projections of his department. Although total receipts from license and registrations have increased, the revenue is unable to keep pace with expenses. He addressed the proposed increase in hunting and fishing license fees, the first since, 1992, and cited the source as necessary for the continued operations of the department. Questions and discussion followed.

Senator Gaskill announced the agenda for the next meeting on Tuesday, February 6. Speakers included Bill Ehm, DNR, and Norm Cheville, ISU.

Senator Sexton moved to arise and the meeting adjourned at 11:05.

Gerry Gaskill, Secretary